STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY

DOCKET NO. TF-02-559 (TF-99-269) (TF-02-62)

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION

(Issued January 2, 2003)

On December 4, 2002, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a request to extend the Optional Off-Peak Firm Service pilot project to November 1, 2004. The request for extension has been identified as Docket No. TF-02-559. The Board initially approved the pilot project in Docket No. TF-99-269 on October 11, 1999, and extended the pilot project to March 31, 2003, in Docket No. TF-02-62. MidAmerican is requesting the additional extension to coincide with the termination of the Small Volume and Large Volume Interruptible rates on November 1, 2004, since the rider is available only to customers on the interruptible rates.

The Board will grant the request for an extension of the surcharge rider to November 1, 2004, to coincide with the termination of interruptible service on that date. The rider has been a reasonable way of alleviating a problem that has existed for a small number of customers. The rider allows those customers the choice of being on firm service for the time they need firm service, April through November, without having to pay for the firm service needed by MidAmerican during peak

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periods, December through March. The seasonal customers' gas load use is mostly during off peak periods.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The request for an extension until November 1, 2004, of the pilot project for the Optional-Off Peak Firm Service Rider filed by MidAmerican Energy Company on December 4, 2002, is granted.

	UTILITIES BOARD
	/s/ Diane Munns
ATTEST:	/s/ Mark O. Lambert
/s/ Margaret Munson Executive Secretary, Deputy	

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 2nd day of January, 2003.